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Personality Parade

Q Is King Hussein of Jordan still on the CIA's private payroll?—V.T., Washington, D.C.

A King Hussein was on the CIA's private payroll back in the mid-'50s, when Kermit Roosevelt was the CIA troubleshooter for Allen Dulles in the Mideast. But Hussein's arms now are being paid for in part by King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, and it is highly doubtful that the Jordanian monarch is still on the U.S. payroll. Good book on the subject: "Warnors at Suez," by Donald Neff.